

**Patent Claims**

1. Bleach or bleach/fixing solution for processing photographic silver halide materials which, relative to the silver halide content of the unprocessed material, exhibit prior to the bleaching step a content of silver arising from development of at least 65 mol%, characterised in that the solution contains at least one iron complex of propylenediaminetetraacetic acid or of  $\beta$ -alaninediacetic acid or a mixture of these complexes and the total concentration of the stated iron complexes in the solution is at least 0.045 and at most 0.25 mol/l.
2. Processing solution according to claim 1, characterised in that it comprises a bleach solution.
3. Processing solution according to claim 1, characterised in that the solution contains at least one iron complex of propylenediaminetetraacetic acid in a concentration of at least 0.045 and at most 0.25 mol/l.
4. Processing solution according to claim 1, characterised in that the solution contains substantially no further iron/aminopolycarboxylic acid complex.
5. Bleach or bleach/fixing solution for processing colour reversal silver halide materials, characterised in that the solution contains at least one iron complex of propylenediaminetetraacetic acid or of  $\beta$ -alaninediacetic acid or a mixture of these complexes and the total concentration of the stated iron complexes in the solution is at least 0.045 and at most 0.25 mol/l.
6. Preparation for producing, regenerating or rejuvenating a bleach or bleach/-fixing solution according to claim 1, characterised in that the preparation may consist of one or more components and contains substantially all the necessary chemicals.

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14. Process for processing colour reversal materials according to claim 13, characterised in that the process equilibrium of the solution used for the bleaching step is maintained by directly apportioning a preparation according to claim 7.
15. Process for processing colour reversal materials according to claim 8, characterised in that the process equilibrium of the solution used for the bleaching step is maintained by apportioning a solution obtained from the bath overflow after rejuvenation.